

REMARKS

1. Summary of the Office Action

In the non-final Office Action mailed on November 5, 2008, the Examiner rejected claims 5-7, 10, and 12-33 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, ¶ 2 as being indefinite.

The Examiner indicated that claims 5-7, 10, and 12-33 may be allowable if rewritten or amended to overcome the rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 112, ¶ 2.

2. Summary of the Claims

In this response, Applicant has cancelled claim 24, added new claims 34-40, and amended claims 5-7, 10, 12-23, 25-26, 28, and 30-33. Claims 1-4, 8-9, and 11 had previously been cancelled.

Now pending are claims 5-7, 10, 12-23, and 25-40, where claims 7, 10, 23, 34, and 37 are independent and the remainder are dependent. These amendments and new claims are generally supported by the specification.

3. Response to Claim Rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 112 of Claims 5-7, 10, and 12-33

The Examiner rejected claims 5-7, 10, and 12-33 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, ¶ 2 as being indefinite. Specifically, the Examiner indicated the use of the terms “over” and “through” in the context of maintaining calls as recited in claims 7, 10, and 23 was indefinite. *See* Office Action, p. 2.

In response, Applicant has amended claims 7, 10, and 23 to remove the “maintaining” element of the claims discussed by the Examiner in the rejection of claims 7, 10, and 23. Therefore, the rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 112, ¶ 2 are now moot. Applicant respectfully

requests the Examiner withdraw the rejections of claims 7, 10, and 23 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, ¶ 2. Additionally, Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner withdraw the rejections of each of the dependent claims under 35 U.S.C. § 112, ¶ 2 for at least the reason that each of the dependent claims depends from a definite base claim; that is, either claim 7, 10, and 23 respectively.

4. Conclusion

In view of the foregoing, Applicant submits that all pending claims are allowable, and thus Applicant respectfully requests allowance of these claims. Should the Examiner wish to discuss this case, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned at (312) 913-3338.

Respectfully submitted,

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